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1. SUMMARY -- LEADING UNITED DAILY NEWS JUNE 25 SAW U. S.- SOVIET ARMS LIMITATION AGREEMENT AS OF UNPRECEDENTED MAGNITUDE AND AN UNEXPECTED SUMMIT DEVELOPMENT. KMT OFFICIAL CENTRAL DAILY NEWS SIAD AGREEMENT WAS BUT A DELICATE BALANCE WITH ADVERSE AND PROFOUND IMPACT ON PRC. TAIWAN DAILY NEWS URGED ROC TO READJUST FOREIGN POLICY SINCE U. S. HAS ALREADY DONE SO. SUMMARY.

2. LEADING PRIVATELY- OWNED UNITED DAILY NEWS JUNE 25 EDITORIAL: "... WITH REGARD TO BOTH U. S. - SOVIET BILATERAL RELATIONS AND GENERAL INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS NEWLY SIGNED AGREEMENT TO PREVENT NUCLEAR WAR IS UNPRECEDENTED. IT IS ALSO AN UNEXPECTED UNCLASSIFIED

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DEVELOPMENT OF BREZHNEV' S VISIT TO AMERICAN AND HIS SUBSEQUENT TALKS... IN OTHER WORDS, THE NEW AGREEMENT IS A TREATY BETWEEN THE TWO SUPER- POWERS THAT BOTH SIDES WILL NOT USE NUCLEAR WEAPONS TO INVADE OR INTERFERE

WITH THE OTHER. THE BROADNESS AND SIGNIFICANCE OF THE AGREEMENT'S MEANING NEED NO ELABORATION... THIS NEW AGREEMENT IS A GENERAL AND POLITICAL WELL- STATED ACCORD WITH BINDING POWER. THOUGH LACKING THE NATURE OF A FORMAL TREATY WHICH NEEDS LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION, THE PRACTICAL FUNCTIONS OF THE AGREEMENT IS NO LESS THAN THAT OF FORMAL TREATY... THEREFORE, AS KISSINGER PUTS IT, THE NEW U. S.- SOVIET AGREEMENT HAS COMPLETELY CHANGED THE STRUCTURE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS."

3. KMT OFFICIAL CENTRAL DAILY NEWS JUNE 25 EDITORIAL:

"... (KISSINGER'S REMARKS) MAY BE THE MOST OPTIMISTIC APPRAISAL OF THE AGREEMENT. IN THE MINDS OF U. S. POLICY MAKERS, THE THREAT OF WAR AND THE HOPE FOR PEACE IN THE PAST TWO DECADES, REVOLVED AROUND U. S.- SOVIET RELATIONS. IF AMERICA AND THE SOVIET UNION CAN REALLY PROCEED ONTO THE PATH OF THAW, THE STRUCTURE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS NATURALLY WILL CHANGE ACCORDINGLY. BUT, WHAT AMERICA IS AFTER IS A ' DELICATE BALANCE, ' EVEN THOUGH JUST A TEMPORARY BALANCE. CAN THE STRUCTURE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS BE CHANGED COMPLETELY BECAUSE OF THIS? NOT NECESSARILY... EVEN IF THE AGREEMENT ON ' PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR' IS 100 PER CENT REALIZED, IT DOES NOT MEAN THAT A PERIOD OF GLOBAL NON- WAR IS AROUND THE CORNER. THIS ROUND OF EXCHANGES BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION UNDOUBTEDLY CREATED TREMENDOUSLY ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE MAOISTS... IN THE PRESENT- STATE OF WASHINGTON POLICY, THE UNITED STATES OBVIOUSLY HAS THE INTENTION OF ' ALLYING RUSSIA' TO ' SUPPRESS THE MAOISTS.' AS A RESULT, RUSSIANS AND MAOISTS WILL COMPETE MORE VIGOROUSLY ON THE RACE TRACK THAT LEADS TO WASHINGTON AND PERFORM MORE ' PEACE' AND ' PRO- AMERICA' GESTURES. WHAT KISSINGER CALLED ' THE CHANGE OF THE STRUCTURE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS' MAY JUST BE THAT. OF COURSE, THE TREND OF THIS DEVELOPMENT WILL HAVE DEEP EFFECTS ON THE INTERNAL STRUGGLE OF THE UNCLASSIFIED

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4. PRIVATELY- OWNED TAIWAN DAILY NEWS JUNE 25 EDITORIAL:

"... THE GREATEST DIFFERENCE, IN TERMS OF INFLUENCE, BETWEEN BIPOLAR DETENTE AND BIPOLAR CONFRONTATION, WILL BE HOW OTHER NATIONS ACCORDINGLY READJUST THEIR FOREIGN POLICY, AND THIS THE READJUSTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. OBVIOUSLY A NEW TREND OF MULTI- POLAR DIPLOMACY IS RISING, A NEW TREND OF MULTILATERAL RELATIONS IS GAINING A UPPER HAND, AND A NEW TREND OF MULTIFARIOUS POLICY IS BECOMING MORE SUITABLE FOR COPING WITH INTERNATIONAL SITUATION. BASED ON THIS, WE SHOULD OF COURSE HAVE OUR OWN WAYS AND MEANS TO COPE WITH THE NEW

SITUATION. AMERICA HAS ALREADY BACK- PEDALED FROM THE LEADING POSITION OF ANTI- SOVIET AND ANTI- COMMUNISM TO A POSITION OF ' THAW WITH COMMUNISM, THAW WITH SOVIET.' SUCH CHANGE HAS ITS VARIOUS TIME FACTORS . WE ARE AMERICA' S ALLY, AND THEREFORE, WE ARE BEING AFFECTED. IN THE AREAS OF FOREIGN POLICY AND INTERNATIONAL PUBLICITY, FOR INSTANCE, WE SHALL HAVE TO MAKE SUITABLE READJUSTMENTS WHICH BENEFIT US MOST. IT DOES NOT SEEM RIGHT TO FACE CHANGE WITH CHANGELESSNESS."

5. ENGLISH- LANGUAGE CHINA NEWS: "... BOILING DOWN THE RHETORIC TO MEANINGFUL ESSENTIALS, THE UNITED STATES AND RUSSIA HAVE AGREED THAT NUCLEAR WAR WOULD BE DISASTROUS FOR ALL CONCERNED AND THAT THEY HAD BETTER DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO AVOID ONE. THIS IS A NOT INCONSEQUENTIAL ACHIEVEMENT. LITTLE WARS ARE, LIKE THE POOR, ALWAYS WITH US. BIG ONES HAVE BEEN AVERTED FOR LONG PERIOD OF HISTORY IN THE PAST; THAT COULD BE THE CASE AGAIN."

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